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CHAPTER II



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TITLE OF INVENTION: SURFACE-MODIFIED MANGANESE SULFIDE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND USE THEREOF

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COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING U.S. NATIONAL STAGE IN U.S. ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US) UNDER 35 U.S.C. section 371

This replies to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. section 371 and 37 C.F.R. section 1.495 (FORM PCT/DO/EO/905).

A copy of FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 accompanies this response.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. section 1.10*

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DECLARATION OR OATH

I. No original declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

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1. Fees for claims

Each independent claim in excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. section 1.492(b))

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Each claim in excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. section 1.492(c))

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Multiple dependent claims(s) (37 C.F.R. section 1.492(d))

\$140.00

2. Surcharge fees

Surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. section 1.492(e) for accepting the declaration later than 30 months after the priority date in filing an application in the U.S. as a designated office.

\$65.00

Total Fees

\$205.00

SMALL ENTITY STATUS

III. A verified statement that this filing is by a small entity is not attached.

EXTENSION OF TIME

IV. The proceedings herein are for a patent application. Accordingly, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. section 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of four months, the small entity fee for which is \$720.00 as set out in 37 C.F.R. section 1.17(a)(4). If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Extension fee due with this request \$720.00

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COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL, DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION, OR C-I-P)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is for a national stage of PCT application.

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

SURFACE-MODIFIED MANGANESE SULFIDE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND USE THEREOF

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification is attached hereto.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. Section 119(a)-(d))

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international

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same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

Such applications have been filed as follows.

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. SECTION 119(a)-(d)

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING DAY, MONTH, YEAR	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
DE	199 43 510.3	10/09/1999	Yes
EP.	PCT/EP00/08626	04/09/2000	Yos

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